

Amendments to the Specification & Abstract:

Please replace the second paragraph on page 5, line 7, with the following amended paragraph:

In other embodiments, a system of processing form documents to be completed by more than one party includes a system to secure one or more digital files associated with the selected form document and information submitted by the users. In a preferred embodiment, a method of securing the one or more digital files associated with the form document being processed utilizes a system and method for digital file management and authentication which facilitates automatic digital file registration and utilizes a means for inputting the digital file and a secure date and time reference providing [data] date and time information.

Please replace the abstract with the following amended paragraph:

A system and method for interactive processing of form documents is provided that includes the steps of selecting a form document to be processed, providing one or more requests to a first user at a first location on a computer network for information used to complete the form and receiving one or more responses from the first user used to complete the form, providing one or more requests to a second user at a second location on a computer network for information used to complete the form and receiving one or more responses from the second user used to complete the form, and writing or storing information obtained from the first and second users used to complete the form onto at least one digital file. The system may include additional features or steps of verifying whether the information submitted by the first and second users is valid for the

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particular form document selected and providing feedback to the first or second user based upon the information provided. A system may also be provided to secure one or more of the digital files associated with the selected form document. One method provided of securing the one or more digital files associated with the form document being processed utilizes a system and method for digital file management and authentication which facilitates automatic digital file registration and utilizes a means for inputting the digital file and a secure date and time reference providing [data] date and time information.